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ATTN: EXAMINER SHAPIRO

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Dear Examiner Shapiro:

We have just received the Final Office Action on the above-identified case, even though it was purportedly mailed on September 27, 2006. Attached hereto is a copy of the mailing envelope, showing it was deposited in the mail on October 25, 2006 by the United States Patent Office.

Accordingly, we would appreciate having our response date run from October 25, 2006, which is when it was mailed. This is not a problem of the United States Postal Service but a clerical error in the U.S. Patent Office.

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Very truly yours,

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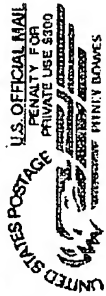
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